The opinion in support of the decision being entered today is <u>not</u> binding precedent of the Board.



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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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Junior Party, Application 08/333,680

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WEI-WEI ZHANG and JACK ROTH

Senior Party Application 08/222,285

Patent Interference No. 104,826 (CAS)

Before: TORCZON, SPIEGEL and TIERNEY, Administrative Patent Judges.

SPIEGEL, Administrative Patent Judge.

FINAL JUDGMENT

In the MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER (Paper 44) mailed September 30, 2002, we dismissed Zhang preliminary motions 1-3 without prejudice to further proceedings before the primary examiner, granted Wang preliminary motion 1 and held that there is no interference-in-

fact between Wang claims 37-48, 52, 54 and 56-57 and Zhang claims 1-10, 15-23 and 28-51¹. No request for reconsideration has been filed by either party.

Therefore, on this record, it is

ORDERED, in view of our holding that there is no interference-in-fact, that a final judgment is entered that there is no interference-in-fact between (1) Wang claims 37-48, 52, 54 and 56-57 and (2) Zhang claims 1-10, 15-23 and 28-51.

FURTHER ORDERED that the subject matter of Wang claims 37-48, 52, 54 and 56-57 is no impediment under the law to the issuance of a patent to Zhang.

FURTHER ORDERED that the subject matter of Zhang claims 1-10, 15-23 and 28-51 is no impediment under the law to the issuance of a patent to Wang.

FURTHER ORDERED that if there is a settlement agreement between the parties, attention is directed to 35 U.S.C. § 135(c).

FURTHER ORDERED that attention is directed to 37 CFR § 1.661.

FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this paper shall be made of record in files of applications 08/333,680 and 08/222,285.

RICHARD TORCZON

Administrative Patent Judge

CAROL A. SPIEGEL Administrative Patent Judge

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MICHAEL P. TIERNEY

Administrative Patent Judge

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¹ According to the examiner, claims 35-48 of Zhang '285 are unpatentable.

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